

REMARKS

Applicant's response filed on May 16, 2003, is alleged as being not fully responsive to the prior Office Action. Therefore, in this supplemental response, Applicant addresses the deficiencies.

In the previous response, Applicant elected to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-25), filed corrected drawings, and submitted a Preliminary Amendment with changes to the specification and to the claims. Applicant proceeds under the assumption that the amendments to the claims and specification filed in the previous response have been entered. Therefore, the amendments to the claims in this supplemental response are relative to those presented in the previous Preliminary Amendment.

Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute the solid pyrotechnic composition that comprises potassium nitrate and potassium perchlorate as the oxidizer particles, phenolphthalein as the organic crystalline particles, and poly(vinyl acetate) as the nonhygroscopic polymeric binder. The species of invention is as set forth in claims 2, 3, 10, and 19. The claims that read upon this species election include claims 2, 3, 10, and 19.

Applicant considers claim 1 to be generic, and notes that upon allowance of a generic claim, claims 4-8, 9, 11-14, 16-18, 20-25, 66, and 67 depending therefrom in a non-elected species would also be allowable.

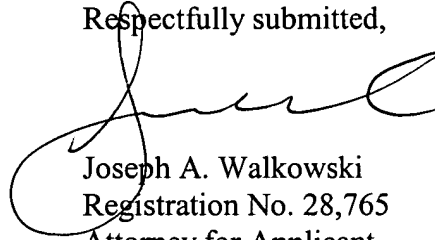
Applicant respectfully requests an early office action on the merits of claims 1, 2, 3, 10, and 19.

Previously Submitted Information Disclosure Statement

Please note that an Information Disclosure Statement was filed in the above-referenced application on April 12, 2002, but that an initialed copy of the Form PTO/SB/08A that accompanied that Information Disclosure Statement has not yet been returned to the undersigned attorney. It is respectfully requested that the information cited in the Information Disclosure Statement and listed on the Form PTO/SB/08A be considered and made of record in the

above-referenced application and that an initialed copy of the Form PTO/SB/08A evidencing such consideration be returned to the undersigned attorney.

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